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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 29, 2006, applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.